



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HB 2022

special plates; regionally accredited institutions

Prime Sponsor: Representative Stevens, LD 14

DP Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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OVERVIEW

HB 2022 establishes the Regionally Accredited Institution of Higher Education Special License Plate and Fund.

PROVISIONS

1. Establishes the Regionally Accredited Institution of Higher Education special license plate for institutions with at least one university campus in this state that pays \$32,000 to the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for implementation.
 - a. Requires the institution that provides the \$32,000 to design the special plate which is subject to approval by ADOT.
 - b. Allows a request for the Regionally Accredited Institution of Higher Education Special License Plate to be combined with a request for personalized plates.
2. Designates a \$25 fee for the original plate and renewals (\$17 for the donation and \$8 for the administration fee).
3. Mandates ADOT to deposit all special plate administration fees in the State Highway Fund and all donations collected in the Regionally Accredited Institution of Higher Education Special Plate Fund (Fund).
4. Establishes the Fund and requires the Director to administer the Fund.
5. Requires the first \$32,000 in the Fund to be reimbursed to the entity that paid the implementation fee.
6. Specifies that no more than 10% of monies deposited in the Fund can be used for administering the Fund.
7. Requires the Director to allocate money from the Fund to a foundation of a Regionally Accredited Institution of Higher Education within this state if both of the following apply:
 - a. The institution has more than 2,000 students residing on campus.
 - b. The institution has a nondiscrimination policy for admissions.
8. Mandates the State Treasurer to invest and divest monies from the Fund on notice from the Director of ADOT.
9. Makes conforming changes.